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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1460 Alexandria, VA 22313-1460 U.S.A.

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Official Action mailed on September 9, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Response to the Office Action is due on March 9, 2005, with a three-month (3) extension of time. The Applicant submits concurrently a Petition for Extension of Time for three months, to and including March 9, 2005, accompanied by the required fee.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.